

**City of Fitchburg**  
**Department of Public Works**  
**Adopt a Traffic Island**

The City of Fitchburg welcomes residents, businesses and organizations that would like to beautify traffic islands in the city. Here is what you can do:

- Find an island that you would like to improve with plantings or flowers
- Contact the DPW and fill out an application/agreement
- Purchase plants and loam, and do the planting, fertilizing, weeding, watering and upkeep. Plantings shall be no more than 30" high where they might interfere with traffic safety
- You may provide and install a sign along each abutting road, no more than 30" high, with your name: "This island sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_"
- Spaces will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis
- Next year, you will be given the first option to adopt the same space that you had this year
- Plant and maintain your space through the first frost in the fall
- Remove all debris from the island at the end of the season
- The city reserves the right to discontinue the agreement if the sponsor allows the island to fall into disrepair

**Application to Adopt a Traffic Island**

**Name of Sponsor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Island Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Landscape Company (if any)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Sponsor:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of DPW:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**SEALED DOCUMENT**

**RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION- Page 1 of 2**

In consideration of my being allowed to participate in the Adopt a Traffic Island Program which involves planting, fertilizing, weeding, watering and related maintenance on an assigned traffic island ( "the work") , I, \_\_\_\_\_ , the undersigned, acknowledge, understand, appreciate, and agree for myself that:

1. There is a risk of injury from the work, and includes the potential for permanent physical injury and death, and while my particular skills, equipment, and/or personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk nonetheless does exist;
2. I knowingly and freely ask to participate in this work even though there are risks, both known and unknown, and I accept the risk as my own even if an injury arises from the negligence of city of Fitchburg, or its employees or agents or others, and I assume full responsibility for the risks associated with my participation;
3. Knowing the above, I freely hereby agree to participate in the work;
4. Understanding the voluntary nature of participation in this work , and in return for the benefits I will receive from it, I, for myself and my heirs and assigns do forever **RELEASE**, acquit, discharge, and covenant to **HOLD HARMLESS** the City of Fitchburg, its employees, agents from any and all actions, causes of action, liability, negligence, debts and claims on account of, or in any way growing out of, directly or indirectly, all known and unknown personal injuries, property damage or death which I may now, have or may hereafter acquire, and which results from or during participation in this work and / or which are caused by, or are directly or indirectly related to the work or to the conduct of the City of Fitchburg, its employees and agents occurring during or in relation to this work.

**I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS. I UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR COERCION ASSUMING FOR MYSELF AND THE RISK OF PARTICIPATION IN THIS ACTIVITY.**

**READ BEFORE SIGNING**

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SIGNED AND SEALED THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_ 20\_\_

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adult participant's signature (SEAL)

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**WITNESS TO SIGNATURES**

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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**Re: Ferguson Landscaping (Absolute Auto)**